Introduction
Pain catastrophizing is a maladaptive coping strategy associated with enhanced pain. The menstrual cycle is also known to influence pain, with increased pain sensitivity generally experienced during the late-luteal phase compared to the mid-follicular phase. Participants attended 3 testing sessions to assess NFR and subjective pain measures (pain catastrophizing) during the menstrual cycle.

Results: SS Catastrophizing & NFR Threshold
- SS Catastrophizing was associated with higher NFR thresholds (p<.009). This relationship did not vary by menstrual phase.
- There was no significant relationship between NFR threshold and Traditional Pain Catastrophizing.

Results: SS Catastrophizing & McGill Pain
- SS Catastrophizing was associated with higher affective pain (p<.001). This relationship did not vary by menstrual phase.
- Subscales:
  - Pain Sensation: (e.g., "I worry that the pain will get worse.")
  - Pain Evaluation: (e.g., "There's nothing I can do.")
  - Pain Management: "Thinking back to your experience during the electric stimulations, please indicate the degree to which you had these thoughts and feelings."